Best Wishes and Congratulations as today we are celebrating All Saints Day.

I was quite delighted to view the results of the Basic Skills Test which arrived this week. Our Year 3 and Year 5 classes have performed exceptionally well this year and congratulations go not only to our students but also to the staff who have tutored them as well as the parents who encourage them. I should be able to give more detailed results when they come to hand for it seems that this year’s results appear to be our best ever.

Well done to our Y3 and Y4 classes who returned last Friday from a most successful Sydney excursion. They certainly made the best use of their time and represented their school with distinction. I look forward to their contribution celebrating All Saints Day at the Cathedral on Sunday at 10am. Everyone is encouraged to attend and join in the celebration.

Tomorrow all classes are invited to spend the morning having a “taste” of 2008. As I mentioned last week it is a little early to confirm staffing for next year but we are pleased to give the students a focus for the year ahead.

I was particularly pleased to receive a very positive response from both the Junior School Parents Association and the whole college P&F when I presented a proposal for the development of the Opera House area. This proposal involves a large hard surface playground area which incorporates a sand/play area for primary students as well as a half court for netball or basket ball. The area can also be useful for meetings, concerts, assemblies and performances. There will be provision for lights and power. There will also be a monument to remember the Suttor memorial using bricks from the original building and holding the memorial plaque as well as a plaque explaining the history of the building. The area will also be covered with shade sail to make the space particularly useful at most times. The cost, of almost $20,000, will be shared three ways pending the approval of College Council for this development as well as Council’s willingness to contribute. Answers to these last two questions should occur within a few weeks before work can commence.

**Transition News**

This week in TR our phoneme was ‘ar’ as in star, car and bar. We have made some beautiful stars, which are hanging up in our classroom. Mrs Lickess also would like to thank the parents from TR who came to our special morning tea on Wednesday. It was a fantastic morning as Mrs Lickess and the children showed us all their work they have been doing together.

In TP & TB our phoneme was ‘oi’ as in foil and boil. We did foil printing with paints, and we decorated our boiled Christmas puddings.

We have all been busy getting ready for our Christmas concerts, which is going to come quicker than we think. Please remember to help your child learn and practise their words.

We continue to remind you to put sunscreen on your child before they come to school, now that the days are getting hotter.

TR & TP are continuing to enjoy ‘Yoganuts’ every Friday afternoon. If possible, could you please send your children to school with Velcro rather than laces on Fridays, to help with the children putting their shoes on and off for yoga.

Regards Jock, Deb & Liz

Clothing check please

Can parents please check their children’s clothing as a blue ASC track pants and red polar fleece with the name Bailey Jardine has gone missing. This might have accidentally been picked up by mistake. Please contact Mrs Keogh in the office.

FROM THE ASSISTANT HEAD OF COLLEGE

(Junior School)

ATTENTION ALL DADS

November @Saints

- Grow a mo during November and raise awareness among guys for the need to talk about their health.
- Lots of fun & prizes for the best moustache
- Register with Mr Cant on p.cant@saints.nsw.edu.au

Carols Service

I would like to invite the general school community to join with the Senior Choir at the Carol Service on Monday 3rd December. Rehearsals are on Thursday mornings from 8 – 8.45am on the following dates: 1st November, 8th November, 15th November, 22nd November, 29th November.

Robyn Crowley, Director of Music

Scholarship Fund official launch

The College will be holding the official launch of the Scholarship Fund on Friday 23rd November at 8.00pm on the front lawn of the College. Wine and finger food will be served. The cost of the evening is $15 per head. Scholarship wine will be available for purchase via order forms available on the night or on the website.

Please register your interest by 5.00pm Friday 16th November with Rachel McMahon at reception.

Dates to consider

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There has been considerable interest in my new venture for next year and for those parents who are interested I have received some new brochures which are available from Mrs Keogh in the Junior School office. The school website is of particular interest and well worth a visit at www.schoolofstjude.co.nz

I also have copies of the book titled “St Judes” – A girl from Guyra, a school in Africa and the patron saint of hopeless causes! This book, a great read, retails at $32.95 but is available from the office for only $25, please call in and pick up your copy. The Assistant Head of College – Senior School, Mr Stewart Ross has made available, through a mutual friend at Qantas, over 200 blankets for the new boarding houses being built at the school.

These blankets are being delivered, to a shipping container leaving Brisbane, by the kind assistance of an All Saints parent, Mr Charlie Hall. This wonderful support is very much appreciated.

I am also aware that the farewell function for Mrs Bidwell and myself is being planned as a significant fundraiser for the school for which we are both extremely grateful, as will be the School of St Jude. Thank you.

JR Bidwell

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**SWIMMING / LIFESAVING LESSONS 2007**

Once again this year we will be running an 8 day intensive swimming program for all students within the Junior School. The dates for the program are as follows:

- Wednesday 5th of December, Thursday 6th, Friday 7th, Sunday 9th, Monday 10th, Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th and Thursday the 13th of December.

The lessons will be 30 minutes in duration and held at the All Saints’ Junior School Pool. All participants will be presented with a lifesaving award to add to their portfolio. The total cost of the program will be $90 per student.

Instructors are qualified through Austswim / Australian Royal Lifesaving Society. This is a great opportunity if your child requires further attention with their swimming and water safety in a familiar environment. If you would like to enrol your child / children please complete the following form and return to Mrs. Keogh by Friday the 16th of November along with your payment (cash or cheques made out to Kay Nelson).

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**10 Years Twenty20 Cricket**

Despite a few days of heavy rain, all four All Saints Cricket teams managed to play last Saturday. The 10 Years Twenty20 team played a thrilling match against St Pats Brown and ran out victors in the last over thanks to a tremendous team effort from all of the players. Captain Travis Cartwright won the toss and batted and the team’s bowlers maintained a tight line and length throughout the opposition’s innings. Our batsmen also stood tall and combined some fluent shots with some excellent running between the wickets. Our fielding was greatly improved from the previous week and helped to secure a well deserved victory.

Mr P. Cant

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**7 Years Kanga Express Joeys**

The little ASC Joeys played on their home field against St Pats White. The team showed pleasing improvement from the previous week and all of the players had a much greater understanding of how to play the game. Mr Crozier coached the team during this match and was pleased with the excellent batting, bowling and fielding that the team displayed. Well done Joeys and thanks Mr Crozier for coaching the team.

Mr P. Cant

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**7 Years Kanga Express**

The ASC Pups played an away match at Brooke Moore Oval against a strong St Pats Blue side. Mr Blackshaw and Mr Pickard coached and managed the team and were delighted by the performance of their young side. The players were very keen and enthusiastic and had a very close game against their opponents.

The game was played in an excellent spirit and the players are to be congratulated on their fine sportsmanship. At the conclusion of the game Lachlan Buckley was presented with the Player of the Match Award for his excellent batting, bowling and fielding.

Thank you to Mr Blackshaw and Mr Pickard for helping on the day. Mr P. Cant
FOR SALE

9.4m x 5.8m Portable Building, 6 rooms, 6 windows, 4 airconditioners, fuse box and fully carpeted.
Approximately 10 years old. Good condition inside and out. Ideal for a farm weekender or worker accommodation.

$8,000 plus GST ono
purchaser to organise relocation

Other building materials available on request.
Inspections welcome.

Please contact David Blackshaw or Gavan Carter on 6331 3911.

Double Helix Club Events
Robotics Workshop

CSIRO Education unit is sending a present to do a workshop on Lego Robotics – November 1st, 5.00pm to 6.30pm in the Bathurst Public School hall. Students must be 10 years old or older. This workshop would prove too difficult for younger students. Cost is $5.00 for members and $8 for non-members. Bookings are essential.

Excursion to Observatory

Excursion to Darby's Falls Observatory (Near Cowra, NSW) Saturday November 10th.
Cost $24.50 per adult (15 yrs or older)
$22.50 per child (Under 15 yrs of age)

Leaving outside Cathedral School, Bathurst at 6.45pm and arriving back at Cathedral School at 11.45pm. We will stay at the observatory for about 1.5 hours. They have five telescopes at Darby's Falls and excellent slide pictures of the stars. Everyone gets adequate time on a telescope. Bring any food/water to drink. (No eating on the bus). Bookings are essential.

For further information on these 2 events please contact Russ Warfield, c/- Cathedral School, PO Box 1497, Bathurst or email russw235@tpg.com.au or phone on 0428 156 996.

Spring Fair profit

Dear parents and friends, please find below the breakup of the profit made on the various stalls at this year’s Spring Fair. You will see there is also included the 2006 figures for comparison. Again, well done everyone and many thanks for your hard work. Leigh Tindall, Spring Fair co-ordinator.

Indoor Hockey competition

Indoor Hockey for Under 18s is about to get underway in Bathurst for 2007. Any inquiries regarding district indoor teams or the regular competition can be directed to Chris Smith on 6337 3763 or Debbie Bright 6331 4866 (w) or 6331 9289 (h) or Sandra Naylor 6337 2357 (h).

Nominations for all district teams are being taken on the board at the Cooke Hockey Complex.

Medical Alert

We have had 2 confirmed cases of chicken pox in the school. Please check your child for these symptoms. This is important advice for expectant mothers. Please contact Mrs Keogh for further information.

Kanga Max

All Saints opted for an experienced skipper this week in Ben Griffin. Still chasing our 1st victory for the season, Ben immediately showed his experience by winning the toss and electing to bat. Ben led by example – top scored with 13.
Gyan, Thomas and Jack also enjoyed double figures with their wickets intact.

Jack had a great all-round day capturing 2 for 15. Ben was the pick of the fielders diving to stop many balls. Allie showed great improvement particularly with her bowling and captured 1 wicket. Congratulations on your first win of the season and many thanks to Mr Geyer who managed the team so well. We play at school again this Saturday.

Dental Clinic

Reminder that the Bathurst Child Dental Clinic will be at the school on Friday 2 November.
Please ensure that you have sent your permission note back to Mrs Keogh. Even if you don’t want your child to be checked, please return the form.

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